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TO : Chief, Graphics Register, OCD  
Attn: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

DATE: 10 May 1955

FROM : Chief, Contact Division, OO

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

REF : [REDACTED]

1. We searched every possible record file of the Dodge Company, domestic and export, trying to locate a photograph of one of their 3/4 ton 4x4 military units which was close to the GAZ-69. The closest unit we could locate is the old Dodge T-214 and, if you will refer to the Standard Military Motor Vehicle Book, dated 1 Sept 1943, on page 172, you will note a unit [REDACTED] This is the same unit as per the picture being forwarded. 25X1A2g

2. The picture being dispatched with the same view as the ZIS-110 Taxi is the same photograph which the Packard Motor Car Company submitted with the analysis report [REDACTED] This report therefore will give you complete specifications on the ZIS-110. 25X1A2g

3. General Motors/Truck Division: Difficulties existed here in regard to a bus similar to the ZIS-154, the reason being that the view of the Soviet unit indicates an early 3600 series GMC unit but some variations have been inaugurated, such as the slanting windshield which throws the model into a later 3600. We are, therefore, sending two photographs to show both GMC units. Incidentally, GMC questions the passenger capacity of the ZIS-154 indicated as handling approximately 60 passengers. The way the bus companies figure this is by the number of windows in the bus. An eight-window bus will accommodate 36 passengers, a nine-window bus will carry 40 passengers, and a ten-window bus will carry 45 passengers. In looking at the Soviet picture, and assuming that the windows are more or less of the same width as those used in the US, the capacity of their bus would be roughly 36 passengers, or a maximum of 40.

4. Chevrolet Motor Co: This division feels that there is a bit of confusion as to your comparative models to the Soviet units as against those of the Opal Kapitan, or the Opal Kadet. The reason is that the specifications on the M-20 cover a four cylinder unit with a 2.12 rating as against the Opal Kapitan rating of 2.714. They feel that the Soviet unit has stolen more features from the British Standard Vanguard and the French Puegot. They also pointed out to us that the Opal was never made in a station wagon type, but they have given us pictures as close as they think will give you comparative details, including pictures of the Vanguard.

5. These photographs may be retained unclassified.

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